

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA  
MINUTES FOR ADJOURNED SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
OF  
MONDAY, APRIL 15, 1991  
HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 1991  
AT 9:00 A.M.  
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 12TH FLOOR

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

To Council Members Wolfsheimer, Roberts, Hartley, Pratt, Bernhardt, Henderson, McCarty, and Filner, members of the City Council of the City of San Diego, California:

A SPECIAL MEETING of the City Council is hereby called to be held on Monday, April 15, 1991 at 3:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 12th floor City Administration Building, 202 C St., San Diego, California.

Said meeting will be held for the purpose of Council action on the following items:

- Certifying the information contained in the Joint Environmental Impact Report and Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) DEP-89-0744 in connection with the Secondary Sewage Treatment System and Associated Sludge Management Facilities.
- Review of candidate sites for the location of Secondary Treatment and Sludge Management Facilities, associated pump stations, and adoption of amendments to the Progress Guide and General Plan and community plans for those sites selected.
- Amending and/or increasing certain currently effective water rates and charges as part of the annual review of water and sewer utility rates.
- Introduction of an ordinance amending the San Diego Municipal Code relating to Sewer and Water Adjustment.

Dated April 12, 1991.

MAUREEN O'CONNOR, MAYOR

CHRONOLOGY OF THE MEETING:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor O'Connor at 10:20 a.m. The meeting was recessed by Mayor O'Connor at 12:20 p.m. to reconvene at 3:30 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened by Mayor O'Connor at 4:40 p.m. with Council Members McCarty and Filner not present. Mayor O'Connor adjourned the meeting at 5:49 p.m.

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ATTENDANCE DURING THE MEETING:

- (M) Mayor O'Connor-present
- (1) Council Member Wolfsheimer-present
- (2) Council Member Roberts-present
- (3) Council Member Hartley-present
- (4) Council Member Pratt-present
- (5) Council Member Bernhardt-present
- (6) Council Member Henderson-present
- (7) Council Member McCarty-present
- (8) Council Member Filner-present

Clerk-Abdelnour (rb, ll)

FILE LOCATION: MINUTES

ITEM-1: ROLL CALL

Clerk Abdelnour called the roll:

- (M) Mayor O'Connor-present
- (1) Council Member Wolfsheimer-present
- (2) Council Member Roberts-present
- (3) Council Member Hartley-present
- (4) Council Member Pratt-present
- (5) Council Member Bernhardt-present
- (6) Council Member Henderson-present
- (7) Council Member McCarty-present
- (8) Council Member Filner-present

ITEM-603: (O-91-148) CONTINUED TO THE SPECIAL MEETING OF  
MONDAY, APRIL 22, 1991 AT 2:00 P.M.

(Trailed as Unfinished Business from the Special  
Meeting of Thursday, March 14, 1991, Item 707;  
Continued from the meetings of March 18, 1991, Item  
S407, March 26, 1991, Item S503, and April 8, 1991,

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Item 202; last continued for information from the  
County Water Authority (CWA).

Introduction of an Ordinance amending Chapter VI,  
Article 4, Division 4, of the San Diego Municipal Code,  
by amending Section 64.0411, and amending Chapter VI,  
Article 7 of the San Diego Municipal Code, by amending  
Section 67.59.1, relating to Sewer and Water Rate  
Adjustment.

CITY MANAGER SUPPORTING INFORMATION: The Municipal Code  
(Section 64.0411 and 67.59.1) currently provides that water and  
sewer rates be adjusted annually on the first day of January to  
compensate for any increases in the costs of purchased water  
and/or energy which are beyond the control of the City. The  
Proposed Ordinance:

1. Amends Section 64.0411 (Sewer Rates - Adjustments) and  
67.59.1 (Water Rates - Adjustments) to provide that  
adjustments to water and sewer rates be made at any  
time to compensate for increases in Water Purchase  
and/or Energy Costs.

WU-U-91-134.

FILE LOCATION: --

COUNCIL ACTION: (Tape location: A572-B550; G256-I037.)

Staff presentation and Council discussion. Item trailed to  
the afternoon session at 3:30 p.m.

MOTION BY HENDERSON TO CONTINUE TO SPECIAL MEETING OF  
MONDAY, APRIL 22, 1991 AT 2:00 P.M. Second by Bernhardt.  
Passed by the following vote: Wolfsheimer-yea, Roberts-yea,  
Hartley-yea, Pratt-yea, Bernhardt-yea, Henderson-yea,  
McCarty-not present, Filner-not present, Mayor O'Connor-yea.

ITEM-604: (R-91-1530) ADOPTED AS AMENDED AS RESOLUTION  
R-277715

(NOTE: R-277715 was rescinded by R-278442 adopted on  
July 30, 1991.)  
(Trailed as Unfinished Business from the Special  
Meeting of Thursday, March 14, 1991, Item 706;  
Continued from the meetings of March 18, 1991, Item  
S406, March 26, 1991, Item S502, and April 8, 1991,  
Item 203; last continued for information from the

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County Water Authority.)

Amending and/or increasing certain currently effective water rates and charges as part of the annual review of water and sewer utility rates.

Note: On 3/26/91 Council directed staff to begin the implementation of a tiered approach toward setting the water utilities rates based on the average residential use of 110 cubic feet per month, which is 250 gallons per house per day. Council also voted to continue this item to 4/8/91 for staff review of Mayor O'Connor's proposals and, depending on the outcome of the County Water Authority Meeting, tentatively schedule the item for a Special Council Meeting on 4/12/91.

FILE LOCATION: WATER-Water and Sewer Utility Rates

COUNCIL ACTION: (Tape location: G256-I037.)

MOTION BY HENDERSON TO ADOPT MAYOR O'CONNOR'S PROPOSAL AS AMENDED TO INCLUDE A SUBSTITUTION OF THE MAYOR'S PROPOSAL WITH THE MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE TWO HIGHER CATEGORIES OF 50/HCF PER MONTH AND 100/HCF PER MONTH IN 1989, AS PRESENTED IN THE MAYOR'S CHART, "COMPARISON OF HYPOTHETICAL WATER BILLS", SHOWING AN INCREASE FROM THE CURRENT WATER BILL OF \$55.72 TO \$267.39 AND \$109.72 TO \$642.39 RESPECTIVELY. BASE FEES ARE TO BE ADJUSTED ACCORDINGLY IN ORDER TO GET TO THESE PROPOSED RATE INCREASES AND WILL APPLY TO RESIDENTIAL UNITS ONLY. A PROVISION IS ALSO TO BE INCLUDED THAT ALLOWS PEOPLE WHO HAVE CONSERVED WATER PRIOR TO 1989 TO VERIFY THESE SAVINGS TO ALLOW THEM TO QUALIFY FOR ANY NEW RATE ADJUSTMENTS. WATER BILLS WILL INCLUDE A \$10 SURCHARGE FOR THOSE RESIDENTIAL USERS WHO DO NOT MEET THE 20% SAVINGS. THIS MUST BE IDENTIFIED ON THEIR BILLS AS A "DROUGHT SURCHARGE". THIS WILL APPLY TO MAJOR USERS AS WELL, BUT WILL INCLUDE A 25% SURCHARGE IF THEY DON'T MEET THEIR SAVINGS AND WILL ALSO BE IDENTIFIED AS SUCH. THIS NEW RATE STRUCTURE WILL BE OPERATIONAL BY LATE SUMMER, WITH THE FIRST BILLING CYCLE EARLY OCTOBER. Second by McCarty. Passed by the following vote: Wolfsheimer-yea, Roberts-yea, Hartley-yea, Pratt-yea, Bernhardt-yea, Henderson-yea, McCarty-not present, Filner-not present, Mayor O'Connor-yea.

COUNCIL COMMENT:

None.

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PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor O'Connor at 6:03 p.m.

FILE LOCATION: MEET

COUNCIL ACTION: (Tape location: I037).